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For President-Elect in 1888,
General John A. Logan,
OF ILLINOIS.

Collyer Primaries.

BANNER, Trego Co., Kas.,
Sept. 11, 1885.
There being no Township Central Committee in this Township, I, as a member of the County Republican Central Committee, announce that the Republican primaries, which are announced to take place on Saturday, October 10, will be held at the usual voting place in the village of Collyer, from 10 o'clock a. m. until 4 o'clock p. m. of said day.
J. C. BROWN.

Ogallah Primaries.

Ogallah, Sept. 9, 1885.
In accordance with the call of the County Republican Central Committee, the primary election in this Township will be held on Saturday, October 10, 1885, between the hours of 1 o'clock p. m. and 6:30 p. m.
By order of the Township Central Committee.
C. C. YETTER,
Chairman.

Glencoe Primaries.

Glencoe, Sept. 21, 1885.
W. S. Tilton, Chairman of Rep. Cen. Com.,
DEAR SIR:—As there is no Township Committee in this township, I would announce with the consent of a portion of the Republican voters of the Township, that the Republican Primaries will be held on Saturday, Oct. 10, between the hours of 1 and 6 p. m., at the Hillman school house.
W. F. KING.

BRICKS are burned at Oberlin.

ATWOOD also wants a brass band.

OBERLIN claims an 85-pound squash.

THE Eye reports politics lively in Decatur county.

THE immensity of the channel between Nihilism and czarism holds its own.

JO. MARTIN, whose parents live in Oberlin, was killed two weeks ago in Denver by a freight train.

THE new post-office in St. John county is named Bureau. The postmaster's name is John S. Adams.

It is reported that grasshoppers have appeared by the million in the vicinity of Arkansas City, in this state.

OLD man Terrill has gone back on political journalism. The wicked world has also given him the grand bounce.

NATHANIEL CRANK, who is well known to many of our citizens, is an independent candidate for sheriff of Graham county.

ATWOOD wants to be hit by the B. & M. railroad, and the Citizen expresses the hope that it will reach there this season.

ON the first inst. the hardware and grocery dealers of Ellsworth began to close their places of business at 8 o'clock in the evening.

LATELY, we made mention of G. C. Nolds being accidentally shot in the northwestern portion of Sheridan county. It was then thought that he would live. He has died.

GEO. H. HAND is said to have sold his *Settler* at Ludell, up in Rawlins county. We have believed all along that he would have to go west to grow up with the country!

E. A. MIKESSELL's till at Atwood was tapped lately. When the *Citizen* went to press last week, Jo. Schran was being examined on the charge of having committed the offense.

IN her early days as a state, Kansas had a governor named Carney. A son of his has been nominated by the Republicans for commissioner of the second district in Barton county.

OUR old friend, J. D. Gresson, of the *Citizen*, is not postmaster at Atwood any more. E. R. Holmes, presumably a Democrat, fills the place now. We now express the hope that Mr. Gresson will cease to worry about Republican office holders having to go.

LOGAN FOR PRESIDENT.

We take a step this week which is of a character different from any that we ever have taken before. Ordinarily, we believe that a presidential candidate should not be developed until in the year of the presidential election.

This week, we fling to the breeze the name of General John A. Logan for president in 1888. The *World* is the first Kansas paper to do this. Indeed, we know of no other paper in the United States which has taken a similar step. We are positive, however, that hundreds, yes, thousands, of them will break over the usual custom in such cases, and hoist within the next year or two the name of this illustrious citizen soldier for the next president. Especially do we believe that this will be the case with journals which are controlled by men who served in the Union army during the war of the rebellion.

General Logan stands to-day as the greatest living exemplar of the principles for which that grandest of grand armies contended. Millions of voters realize that secret rebellion is now carrying out, in a great measure, what armed rebellion was whipped in trying to accomplish; and General Logan stands at the head of these voters in sublimity of feeling and of declaration that this secret rebellion—this rape of the ballot box in the South—should be put down. It is for this reason that we, at this early date, hoist his name for president. But, hold! Not for this reason altogether. We are satisfied that in hoisting his name now, we represent the great body of old soldiers in Kansas.

As a presidential elector, it was our duty and pleasure to vote for General Logan for vice president last December. We have been convinced since then that if General Logan's name had headed the national Republican ticket last year he would have been triumphant.

Mr. Blaine's attitude, and that of his chief friends, in ignoring the great Southern question wrought out his defeat. He made at Augusta after the election a speech which should have resounded from every rostrum in the land thirty days prior to the election. The tariff question is a great one, but, as we declared during the campaign last fall, it is secondary to the Southern question. Furthermore, no party with the tariff as the main issue, has ever won in a presidential contest.

General Logan, we feel sure, can be relied upon to preserve the proper relative distinctions between the different planks of the party platform.

Give us General John A. Logan for president in 1888!

THE POOR OLD MAN.

That particular friend of ours, alias Z. Jackson, down at Ellsworth, has concluded to go out of journalism. Our friend, G. A. Collett, who had for several years been employed in the *Reporter* office, and Frank Foster, have purchased Jackson's *News*, and turned it into a Democratic paper. Even a Democratic paper, if it is conducted decently, is welcome on our table. Jackson's *News* was the only Kansas paper with which we ever refused to exchange. With that privy poster we did refuse, purely on the ground of detesting the paper and its purported editor. The cause of his hatred of the writer was based on an occasional squib which we shot at him during the campaign just preceding the congressional convention of this district in the spring of 1884, and the fact that his opposition paper, the *Reporter*, was our friend and Jackson's enemy. Poor old Jack never could see that it was all in a newspaper man's lifetime, so to speak. He, unlike any other editor in Kansas would have construed the situation, marked us down as his unrelenting enemy, and made us his target. The trouble with him was, his fire was directed at so very many people that his discharges were entirely harmless. The rest of his obituary is well proclaimed by that conservative gentleman, Mr. Sampson, of the *Salina Journal*, in these words:

The Ellsworth *News* has been sold to G. A. Collett and Frank Foster, who will hereafter publish a Democratic paper. The *News* under its recent management was a disgrace to the calling—both mechanically and editorially. It was an instance of a politician taking control of a business, about which he knew nothing, and for which he was totally unfitted, with the thought that he could run a newspaper as well as Horace Greeley, and revolutionize the world with sparks evolved from his editorial wheel. There are multitudes of just such fellows who

are possessed of the same conceit which overwhelmed the late editor of the *News*, and no doubt they will again come to the front with each returning spring to teach the world how to run a newspaper. The *News* under the last publisher was a personal organ in every sense of the word. It retailed each week the grievances of its editor, as if the world at large was deeply interested in the great genius at its helm. It contained but little else. It is to be hoped that the new publishers will make a paper worthy of the support of the citizens of Ellsworth county—especially the Democratic part of them. The *Reporter* is an able and enterprising paper, and fulfills the demands of the Republicans of the county.

THE Baltimore grand jury reports that the introduction of the whipping-post to punish wife beaters has had a salutary effect. Yes, a forcible agency like this will have a salutary effect in such cases when mild means would be entirely unavailing.

DERBY, who recently beat out the brains of his infant child by striking its head against a bed post, was adjudged insane by a jury at Russell week before last. Derby's home was in the north part of Russell county.

DR. DUNN, of Colby, Thomas county, was an assistant surgeon of the 31st Illinois, the regiment which John A. Logan commanded at the outset of the rebellion. Dr. Dunn was in the newspaper business at Colby awhile, but thought better, and turned real estate agent.

SOME of you little sinners are sitting around waiting for salvation to strike you as it did St. Paul. Snow birds waiting to be hit with a cannon ball. God adjusts his ammunition to the size of the man he is after. Mustard seed shot will do for you.—Rev. Sam Jones.

IN touching on the political situation in Graham county, the *Leader* states tersely a great fact in these words: "But then this is nothing uncommon, as there never was a thing transpired in that county that the people agreed upon, not even a shower, when crops were as dry as a powder horn."

THE population of Ellis county, as taken by the township trustees last spring, is 5,046, as against 5,095 the spring before. We have no idea that the figures for 1885 are true. They simply show how the average township trustee can spend plenty of time without doing half his duty.

DEMOCRACY in Miami county must be of the real, sublime variety. We quote from the *Republican*'s report of the recent Democratic county convention at Paola: "Against his earnest protest, R. W. Boyd was nominated for Surveyor, the chairman saying he was the only Democrat who could stay sober long enough to run a straight line."

W. H. LEE, who stopped publishing the *Gazette*, the only paper in Lane county, years ago, because it did not pay, has stayed with that county. He now has a peach tree nursery, and offers the trees in quantities to suit purchasers. In our judgment, the trees which have been grown in this country should have precedence every time over those in nurseries to the east of this. They are acclimated.

W. G. PORTER's census enumeration of Thomas county, as a preliminary to organizing, develops 1,916 souls. It occurs to us that the fellows who favor organization might succeed now in nearly all the unorganized counties by enumerating the s-o-u-l-s, and then changing the orthography of the word to s-o-l-e-s. The population could thus be doubled on the spelling of the word. If at the state house the word *soles* should be noticed, the officials would just conclude that the census enumerator was not a gilt-edged speller!

THE Rawlins County Agricultural Society held its first annual exhibition at Atwood last Monday and Tuesday. We have not seen a report of the proceedings, but presume it was a thorough success. Last fall a display of miscellaneous products of the farm was made in the school house at Atwood. It was in every way creditable to the people and the county. Such a display could be made this year in every Kansas county, regardless of whether fair associations exist or not, and with great advantage to the general interests.

CLEVELAND, who is president by virtue of only a partial vote of a particular kind being possible in the South, last Monday filled a full half dozen Kansas post-offices with Democrats. In each case, the Republican incumbent had resigned. It is a really great time when the Dems can run this great central state of Kansas, which, as a territory, began the struggle which knocked this now seemingly-victorious party out of time for twenty-four years!

WHAT purports to be a county Republican convention is to be held at Hays City to-day. We have no reason to suppose that it will be essentially unlike other Republican (by courtesy) conventions which have been held in that county. The custom, to state it plainly, has been for the fellows who got licked in the convention to raise the war whoop, and try to down the convention winners at the polls. Generally, they have succeeded.

COL. JAMES H. R. CUNDIFF, a prominent Missourian, and business manager of the St. Louis *Republican*, died at St. Joseph, Mo., last Sunday night. Had he lived just one week longer, he would have been fifty-three years old.

—Lew Halsey has a heart as big as all our doors—almost. A few days ago he and his brother, who was visiting him from Iowa, S. R. Curtis and somebody else were out hunting antelopes. They reached Wa-Keeney late in the afternoon with five which they had killed. Lew gave one to Dr. Conger and the writer and made presents of two others to different persons before leaving town. It makes good eating, we can testify from experience. Here's hoping, Lew, that you may live a thousand years to chase these fleet-footed animals over these plains.

—The sweetest of all sweet things is, perhaps, sweet music. The Wa-Keeney Minstrels know how to make it. How do we know? They gave us some of it in front of our residence last Saturday night. The quality of the article was exquisite, we run no risk in saying. Mr. Boyle, the blind musician, took a part, and B. F. Morgan was an addition to the troupe. The boys were on a serenading trip, and, as the saying runs, they took in the town. The town can't object to being taken in that way right along.

—The supply of carpenters don't keep up with the demand.

Own the Land.

National Live-Stock Journal.
The opinion has for years been expressed and repeated that the time would come when ranching to be the most certain successful, must be carried on within the bounds of pasture lands actually owned by those who use them. The tendency has long been decidedly in this direction. The growth of population, and the consequent increased demand for tillable western lands for permanent agricultural occupation, have pointed to this with a certainty not to be mistaken. The recent proclamation of the president respecting the removal of fences from government lands bears directly upon this, and should be taken by the trespassing stockmen as a still more positive indication of the change which is to come. No wonderful skill is required to read the signs of the time, and those who fail to do so, and make consequent preparation to "stand from under" when a still more decided executive move is made, will make a mistake which they will some day have serious cause to regret.

If they will look at the matter squarely and intelligently, coming to a proper understanding of the conditions to which it must ultimately lead, ranchmen will hardly fail to see that the removal of the greatest element of uncertainty from their business, which will thus be secured, is most desirable. Nothing will so strengthen and establish this great industry as permanence of location. This will, of course, be attended by increased investment of capital, but it will be an investment which can not but do more than any other to secure the future prosperity of the plainsman.

Outside of the coming requirements for the ownership of grazing lands occupied, it is evident to all who have given the matter close study that the days of fabulous profits on range grown cattle are forever past. The developments of the last few years have shown that the time is at hand when frontier dividends must be measured by the rates of profit belonging to ordinary business enterprises. To reduce range cattle growing to a safe and remunerative industry, then, when shorn of the huge profits which in themselves offered some compensation for risk, it must be surrounded with all the safeguards essential for other pursuits. These can be found and enjoyed only on proprietary land. Western stockmen should, then, of all others, encourage the idea of real estate investment.

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